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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of the attached additional items of information.

Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08A. The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

Applicant respectfully requests that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
2. The enclosed form PTO/SB/08A be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

By submitting this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist.

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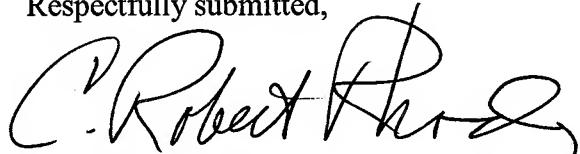
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Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusions regarding the relevance of the cited information.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 09-0528.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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